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DECISION ON PETITION

TO WITHDRAW

FROM RECORD

This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b) or 37 C.F.R. § 10.40 filed February 12, 2007.

The request is **APPROVED**.

The request to withdraw as attorney is signed by Pamela S. Merkadeau on behalf of herself and all the attorneys/agents associated with Customer Number 36614. However, a review of the record indicates that Pamela S. Merkadeau and the attorneys associated with Customer Number 36614 do not have power of attorney in this patent application; but, have been employed or otherwise engaged in the proceedings in this patent application. In view of the present request, Attorney Pamela S. Merkadeau and any attorneys/agents associated with Customer Number 36614 are considered withdrawn from the present application and may not prepare or submit papers under 37 C.F.R. § 1.34, or correspond in any manner in this application unless appointed in an acceptable power of attorney under 37 C.F.R. § 1.32(b).

All future communications from the Office will be directed to the address of record.

There is an outstanding Office action mailed June 1, 2007 that requires a reply from the applicant.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-3204.

Sherry D. Brinkley Petitions Examiner

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NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

This is in response to the Power of Attorney filed 03/22/2007.

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The Power of Attorney in this application is accepted. Correspondence in this application will be mailed to the above address as provided by 37 CFR 1.33.

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